

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-2, 4-6, 8, 12, 14 and 16-21 remain pending in this application. No claims have been canceled. New claim 21 has been added.

Pursuant to discussions with the Examiner and the Examiner's Supervisor, the attached Amendment is being filed in order to clarify the claimed invention. As such, it is submitted that the claims are now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone with any further questions in order to further prosecution. Note that new claim 21 is based on claim 18, but depends from claim 1.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. Please charge any shortage of fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, or credit any overpayment of fees, to Deposit Account 50-1417.

Respectfully submitted,

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